

Monday, March 4, 1996

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, page S1477

Senate met at 11 a.m. in pro forma session, and adjourned at 11:00:10 a.m., until 9:30 a.m., Tuesday, March 5, 1996.

Committee Meetings

No committee hearings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 1 Public bill, H.R. 3002, was introduced. **Page H1663**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed as follows:

H.R. 2969, to eliminate the Board of Tea Experts by repealing the Tea Importation Act of 1897 (H. Rept. 104-467, Part I, filed February 29;

Conference report on H.R. 927, to seek international sanctions against the Castro government in Cuba, and to plan for support of a transition government leading to a democratically elected government in Cuba (H. Rept. 104-468, filed March 1); and

H.R. 2202, to amend the Immigration and Nationality Act to improve deterrence of illegal immigration to the United States by increasing border patrol and investigative personnel, by increasing penalties for alien smuggling and for document fraud, by reforming exclusion and deportation law and procedures, by improving the verification system for eligibility for employment, and through other measures, to reform the legal immigration system and facilitate legal entries into the United States, amended (H. Rept. 104-469, Part I). **Pages H1645-63**

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designates Representative Barrett to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H1643**

Presidential Message—National Emergency Regarding Cuba: Read a letter from the President wherein he announces that he has declared a national emergency with regard to Cuba in response to the Government of Cuba's destruction of two unarmed United States-registered civilian aircraft in international airspace north of Cuba—referred to the

Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104-181). **Page 1643**

Quorum Calls—Votes: No quorum calls or votes developed during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 2:17 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MARCH 5, 1996

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, to hold hearings to examine possible solutions to the budget impasse for Labor, Health and Education programs, 8:30 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Armed Services, to hold hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 1997 for the Department of Defense and the future years defense program, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings on the nominations of Thomas Paul Grumbly, of Virginia, to be Under Secretary of Energy, Alvin L. Alm, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Energy (Environmental Management), and Charles William Burton, of Texas, and Christopher M. Coburn, of Ohio, each to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Enrichment Corporation, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Committee on Governmental Affairs, to hold hearings on S. 1376, to terminate unnecessary and inequitable Federal corporate subsidies, 9:30 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on the Judiciary, to hold oversight hearings on the implementation of the Drug Price Competition and Patent Term Restoration Act, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.

NOTICE

For a listing of Senate committee meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E268-69 in today's Record.

House

Committee on Agriculture, to consider H.R. 2202, Immigration in the National Interest Act of 1995, 2 p.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on congressional and public witnesses, 1 p.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, on Congressional and public witnesses, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education, on public witnesses, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Legislative, on Joint Committee on Printing and GPO, 9:30 a.m., and on Library of Congress, 1:30 p.m., H-144 Capitol.

Committee on the Budget, hearing on Federalism, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, to mark up the following bills; H.R. 2596, to extend energy conservation programs under the Energy Policy and Conservation Act through fiscal year 1999; H.R. 2967, to extend the authorization of the Uranium Mill Tailings Radiation Control Act of 1978; H.R. 2501, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of a hydroelectric project to Kentucky; H.R. 2630, to extend the deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Illinois; H.R. 2695, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of certain hydroelectric projects in the State of Pennsylvania; H.R. 2773, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of 2 hydroelectric projects in North Carolina; H.R. 2816, to reinstate the license for, and extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act applicable to the construction of, a hydroelectric project in Ohio; H.R. 2869, to extend the

deadline for commencement of construction of a hydroelectric project in the State of Kentucky; and H.R. 1514, Propane Education and Research Act of 1995, 2 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, March 5, Subcommittee on Civil Service, to mark up sections 356 and 523 of H.R. 2202, Immigration in the National Interest Act, 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on The Western Hemisphere, hearing on Violations of the United States Embargo on Cuba, 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Committee on National Security, Subcommittee on Military Research and Development, to begin hearings on the fiscal year 1997 national defense authorization request, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Special Oversight Panel on the Merchant Marine, to begin hearings on the fiscal year 1997 Panama Canal Commission and U.S. Maritime Administration authorization requests, 10 a.m., 2337 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Lands, hearing on H.R. 2941, Housing Improvement Act for Land Management Agencies, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider the Conference Report to accompany H.R. 927, Cuban Liberty and Democratic Solidarity Act of 1995; followed by a hearing and markup of H. Res. 369, to provide to the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight special authorities to obtain testimony for purposes of investigation and study of the White House Travel Office matter, 2 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Railroads, hearing on Rail Safety Oversight: Human Factors and Grade Crossing Issues, 1 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on Human Intelligence, Analysis, and Counterintelligence, executive, hearing on Counterterrorism, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Joint Meetings

Conferees, on H.R. 1561, to consolidate the foreign affairs agencies of the United States; to authorize appropriations for the Department of State and related agencies for fiscal years 1996 and 1997; and to responsibly reduce the authorizations of appropriations for the United States foreign assistance programs for fiscal years 1996 and 1997, 10 a.m., S-116, Capitol.

Joint Hearing, Senate Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to hold joint hearings with the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs to review the legislative recommendations of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, 9:30 a.m., 345 Cannon Building.